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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS

DATED: 08.04.2022

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THE HONOURABLE DR. JUSTICE ANITA SUMANTH

W.P.NO.29652 OF 2019

D.Murugan

... Petitioner

Vs

1. The Collector,
Cuddalore District,
Cuddalore - 607 001.
2. The Road Transport Officer,
Cappers Hills, Cuddalore - 607 004.
3. Food Safety Officer, Cuddalore Block,
Tamil Nadu Food Safety & Drug Administration Department,
(Food Safety Wing), Cuddalore Block,
Cuddalore - 607 001.
4. The Inspector of Police,
Cuddalore N.T.Police Station,
Bharathi Road, Cuddalore - 607 001.
5. Balagurunathan
6. Viswanathan
7. Mani

... Respondents

PRAYER:

Writ Petition filed under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying to issue a Writ of Mandamus, directing the respondents No.1 to 4 to take action on representation dated 16.09.2019 given by the petitioner.

For Petitioner : Mr.R.Gururaj

For Respondents : Mr.C.Jaya Prakash,
Government Advocate - R1 to R4
Mr.Chandru
for Mr.K.Sasindran - R5



O R D E R

The petitioner claims to hold a permit for supply of water from R2 & R3, being Road Transport Officer and Food Safety Officer, Cuddalore. While this is so, she alleges that the private respondents i.e. R5 to R7 who own agricultural tractors have also obtained license from R3 and have been supplying drinking water to the public through agricultural tractors.

2.This constitutes an inroad into the business of the petitioner and he has thus sought the intervention of the official respondents who have not taken any action. Since, the adjudication of the dispute will require determination of several facts, it is better that the competent authority, arrayed as respondents, be directed to devote attention to the matter.

3. A direction is thus issued to the District Collector to depute an officer of appropriate seniority, ranked above R2 & R3, to hear the petitioner as well as the private respondents by issuance of notice and pass appropriate orders upon the complaint of the petitioner dated 16.09.2019, within a period of six (6) weeks from today.

4. This Writ Petition is disposed as above. No costs.

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar(CS III)

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Sub Assistant Registrar

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4. The Inspector of Police,
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+lcc to Mr.D.Baskar, Advocate, S.R.No.24438
+lcc to the Government Pleader, S.R.No.25087

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